ENGINEERING AIDE II

DEFINITION:

Under close or general supervision, depending upon the nature of the assignment, performs subprofessional engineering related to technical support duties including coordinating computer support (hardware, network and software) issues for the Public Works Department with the City's computer support service provider; performs related work as required.

CLASS CHARACTERISTICS:

Engineering Aide II is the journey level class of this series, fully competent to perform a variety of engineering support duties of a more complicated nature. Incumbents perform field work with a survey crew, take traffic surveys, provide drafting and computation support in the office, or may be assigned to act as a public works inspector.

IMPORTANT AND ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

- 1. Assist professional engineering staff and technical personnel in a variety of survey, drafting, research and operational activities.
- 1. Install computer software, provide minor trouble-shooting solutions, monitor the work of the City's computer support service provider in the Public Works Department and follow-up on unresolved issues with them.
- 2. Post information to maps or drawings and make simple sketches or layouts.
- 3. Answer questions from the public at a counter or on the telephone.
- 4. Make calculations in the field or office, using a calculator.
- 5. Prepare charts and/or graphs for reports or presentations.
- 6. Maintain records and prepare reports following an established format.
- 7. Perform varied general support tasks such as making copies of drawings, filing and retrieving materials.
- 8. Distribute maps, specifications and other documents.
- 9. Perform a variety of engineering-technical duties in a practical setting.
- 10. Prepare original drawings utilizing computer aided drafting (CAD) programs.

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- 11. Geographic Information (GIS)system implementation and support.
- 12. Review and issue utility encroachment permits and oversize/overweight load permits, and maintain permit records.

MARGINAL/PERIPHERAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

- 1. Work on a survey party performing rod and chain tasks, recording measurements, driving stakes and clearing brush.
- 2. Assist with traffic engineering surveys by setting counters and taking manual counts.
- 3. May assist professional engineering staff and technical personnel in inspection activities.
- 4. Conduct soil compaction tests using a nuclear density gauge.
- 5. Assist the operations staff with telemetry system.
- 6. Perform related work as required.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Knowledge of:

- 1. Basic engineering terminology, principles and practices.
- 2. Basic surveying terminology, principles, and practices.
- 3. Basic drafting terminology, principles and practices to include computer aided design (CAD).
- 4. Computer network, hardware and software skills.
- 5. Mathematics including algebra, geometry and trigonometry.
- 6. Basic construction terminology, principles and practices.
- 7. Basic inspection terminology, principles and practices.

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Skill in:

- 1. Making accurate engineering-related calculations.
- 2. Keeping accurate and concise notes and records.
- 3. Preparing reports following an established format.

Ability to:

- 1. Post information to and prepare maps and drawings.
- 2. Understand and follow oral and written directions.
- 3. Establish and maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of the work.
- 4. Quickly learn the policies and procedures pertaining to the work.

JOB REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. Possession of a valid California Class C driver's license in compliance with adopted City driving standards.
- 2. Must be willing to work out of doors in various weather conditions.
- 3. Must possess sufficient strength to carry forty pounds of equipment and walk over rough terrain.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS:

- 1. Completion of high school or its equivalent.
- 2. One year of college studies in mechanical drawing, drafting, computer aided design or mathematical related fields and one or more year(s) of significant related experience. Two years of related experience in this class can offset the one year of college. Experience in basic personal computer and network trouble shooting required.

MACHINES/TOOLS/EQUIPMENT UTILIZED

- 1. Automobile
- 2. Reports, forms, pencils and pens
- 3. Maps, plans, and blueprints

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- 4. Computer monitor, keyboard and printer
- 5. Copy machines
- 6. Fax machine
- 7. Nuclear density gauge
- 8. Blue line machine
- 9. Calculator
- 10. Telephone

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

- 1. Mobility
- 2. Speaking/Hearing
- 3. Driving
- 4. Seeing
- 5. Sitting
- 6. Manual dexterity
- 7. Lifting and carrying up to 40 lbs.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND ATMOSPHERIC CONDITIONS:

Office Conditions:

- 1. <u>Indoors</u>: normal office conditions, 60% of the time <u>Travel</u>: varying conditions, 40% of the time
- 2. <u>Noise level</u>: conducive to office setting
- 3. <u>Lighting</u>: conducive to office setting
- 4. <u>Flooring</u>: low level carpeting
- 5. <u>Ventilation</u>: provided by central air conditioning
- 6. Dust: normal, indoor levels

Field Conditions:

- 1. Outdoors: varying weather conditions
- 2. <u>Noise level</u>: varying low to high equipment noise
- 3. <u>Flooring</u>: grass, dirt, rock, asphalt, etc.
- 4. <u>Dust</u>: normal outdoor, to high outdoor levels